

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006. In that Action, the Examiner required restriction between the claims of Group I and Group II. Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I comprising claims 41-44 for examination. The basis for Applicants' traversal is that Applicants do not necessarily agree with, or wish to be bound by, the Examiner's rationale in proposing the request for restriction of examination.

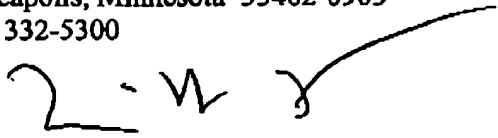
The claim of Group II (i.e., claim 45) has been withdrawn above.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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